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SCHEME TO PROMOTE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN STATES
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the achievements made under the Central scheme to promote Science and Technology in each State particularly, Gujarat during the last three years;and

(b) the funds allocated by the Central Government for the purpose during the said period, State wise, including Gujarat, year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) Under the Central scheme to promote Science and Technology in States entitled `State Science and Technology Programme`, a number of activities related to location specific need based research and development; pilot scale science and technology demonstration projects; studies/surveys on specific topics of relevance to States` needs have been supported during the last three years apart from annual core grant to each State including the State of Gujarat. The specific achievements include setting up of hospital waste disposal systems, water purification systems, decentralized energy generation systems and surface engineering systems in various States.In the State of Gujarat plasma nitriding system, reverse osmosis water desalination system, hospital waste disposal system has been supported during the last three years in addition to annual core support to Gujarat State Council for Science and Technology.

(b) The funds allocated by the Central Government for the purpose during the years 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 was Rs. 10 crores,11 crores and 14 crores respectively for all the States including the State of Gujarat.The Central Government does not allocate funds state-wise.